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MUMBAI-DELHI FOOD CORRIDOR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce Mumbai-Delhi food corridor to meet the shortage of fruits and vegetables in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to open such a corridor between Odisha- Delhi since Odisha is major producer of ginger, garlic and turmeric which are sold at high prices in Delhi; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): Madam, no such proposal for establishing a food corridor is under consideration. However, Government initiated steps to introduce insulated and ventilated railway rakes between Mumbai − Bhusawal − Azadpur/New Delhi for transportation of fruits and vegetables.

(c) & (d): No such programme is under consideration at the moment.